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DATE: February 23, 2009

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
Manager, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT: Golden Temple of Oregon LLC -Expanded Peanut Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Peanut Recall; Due to *Salmonella typhimurium*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in Indiana. The recalled products were distributed nationally and sold through Health Food Stores, mail order, and specialty food stores. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Golden Temple of Oregon LLC Announces Expanded Nationwide Voluntary Recall of WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew Bars Due To Possible Health Risk

Contact:

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1- 541-461-2160 (8:00AM - 4:30PM PST Mon-Fri)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- Eugene, OR-- February 20, 2009 --- Golden Temple of Oregon LLC of Eugene, OR is initiating an expanded voluntary recall of WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew bars (1.13oz.), because they have the potential to be contaminated with salmonella. This voluntary recall is in response to the expanded recall involving all peanut products produced by the Plainview Peanut Corporation of Texas, a subsidiary of Peanut Corporation of America located in Blakely, GA facility. *Salmonella* is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

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Items impacted by the expanded voluntary recall are as follows:

Item code 450001--

- "WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew" Lot# 050109
- "WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew" Lot# 052909
- "WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew" Lot# 061709
- "WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew" Lot# 061809

This expansion is in addition to the original items under recall:

Item code 450001--

- "WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew" Lot# 040909
- "WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew" Lot# 041509

Description: 1.13oz. (32g) individually plastic wrapped confectionary bars. The bars are packed 24 to a display box and 6 display boxes to a master shipper. The shipper and display boxes are lot coded. The individual bars are not lot coded. The UPC Code is 7507000101.

Golden Temple is not aware of any reported cases of illness related to this product and has issued this voluntary recall strictly as a precautionary measure. Golden Temple takes the safety of its customers seriously and is working with the FDA on this recall.

Any customer who has inventory of these lots or individual bars of WHA GURU CHEW Peanut Cashew are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1- 541-461-2160 (8:00AM – 4:30PM PST Mon-Fri)

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